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NOTICE OF REASONS FOR REJECTION  
(Translation)

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others)  
Applicable Provisions:              Article 29, paragraph 2; and  
Article 36

It is deemed that the present application should be rejected for the following reasons. An argument, if any, should be submitted within **3 months** from the mailing date of this notice.

REASONS

1. The description of the claims of this application does not satisfy the requirements prescribed in Article 36, paragraph 6, item 2 of the Patent Law on the following point.

Note

Claim 21 is directed to "a computer program product" and the category of the invention for which patent is sought cannot be specified. Therefore, composition of the invention is indefinite.

2. The inventions described in claims 1 to 26 of this application are deemed ones which could easily have been made, prior to the filing of the patent application, by a person with ordinary skill in the art to which the inventions pertain, on the basis of the inventions described in the following publications distributed or the inventions made available to the public through electronic telecommunications lines in Japan or a foreign country prior to the filing of the patent application and, therefore, are unpatentable under the provisions of Article 29, paragraph 2, of the Patent Law.

Notes

Reference 1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (Kokai) No. 2000-76473

Reference 2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (Kokai) No. 2002-7269

Reference 3. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (Kokai) No. 2002-175135

Reference 4. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (Kokai) No. H10-222143

Reference 5. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (Kokai) No. 2003-141022

Reference 6. WO 02/089010

Reference 7. WO 01/65377

Regarding claims 1 to 26:

Dividing an object into a plurality of sub-objects and presenting the same are described in References 1 to 7, and

therefore, the inventions according to claims 1 to 26 of the present application could easily have been obtained by a person skilled in the art, based on References 1 to 7.

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Record of Results of Prior Art Search

•Searched field                      IPC              G06F 3/00 - 3/048

This Record of Results of Prior Art Search does not constitute a reason for rejection.

For inquiries on the content of this Notice of Reasons for Rejection or a request for an interview on this case, please contact the Examiner below.

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